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South Bay says "ves" to access road for commercial park

By Tracy Whirls
Associate Editor
The South Bay Commercial
Industrial Park took a step

Industrial Park took a step closer to becoming a reality ruesday when the South Bay Commission approved an agreement with the Gordian Group. Inc. to begin construction of an access road from US 27 into the industrial park. City Manager Michael Jackson said the city had been waiting to find an anchor teamt before moving forward with the project, because Florida for the project is contingent upon having a suitable

employer locate in the park.
However, Mr. Jackson said, the city has already received \$500,000. in infrastructure funding from the county, which will, provide the \$253,812 speeded to construct her road. Mr. Jackson recommended that they proceed with they project now, under the philosophy, 'If we build it, they will come.' Thus far. Palm Beach County Head Start hag proposed using 5.9 acres of the County Head Start has proposed using 5.9 acres of the park to construct a new head start/community action facility and the city has committed to

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The Class of 2000, Glades Day School, held graduation ceremonies on Friday, May 26 Shown, from left, are Headmaster Mandy Perez, Co-Valedictorians Kelly Alvarez Joshua Braddock and Jonathan Lively and Salutatorian Lindsay Curtiss.

Undercover Belle Glade drug sting nabs numerous suspects

Editor
An undercover police officer
busted numerous drug dealers in
Belle Glade in one week. His
disguise was simple. A hat,
sunglasses and a three-week
growth of beard. He drove an
innocent-looking family station

wagon.

Det. James Benedict and
members of the Belle Glade Police
Department conduced an under-

vel drug sales last week.

Det. Benedict said he easily

made drug purchases from people he had arrested many times before for drug dealing. Unbeknownst to the dealers, Det. Benedict's car was wired with a high tech array of electronic surveillance equipment, including miniature cameras, microphones and a long-range wireless audio transmitter and tracking system. A team of detectives trailed Det. Benedict as back up , which was a good thing.

good thing
One suspect, 16-year-old Ramad
Terry of Belle Glade, robbed Det.
Benedict.
Another suspect, 19-year-old
Mark Anthony Walden of Belle
Glade, sold Det. Benedict crack
coaine three times in one day.
Al of the sales were caught on

Pahokee commission rejects annexation of Perez property

By Tracy Whirls
The Pahokee Commission reversed a previous action of the outgoing commission and voted down a proposed ordinance that would have allowed

the annexation of 9.11 acres of property owned by Sara L. Ruiz paperwork to be completed, and Emilio Perez.

In April, the commission had given the go ahead for the comprehensive plan amendcomprehensive plan amendSee Annexation Page 3

Lawbreakers beware - surveillance video cameras are now used in most Belle Glade police vehicles

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chool News.... cial news....6 & 7 By Brenda Bunting Editor Ask any cop and they'll tell you there is no such thing as a

routine traffic stop.

Even during the most mundane pull over, officers

must be alert and vigilant.

Now, Belle Glade Police officers have one more tool to help them with their job.

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Surveillance video cameras,
called "On Patrol Video" have
been installed in 12 police cars,

Lt. Crist said a police officer
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and according to Lt. Dan Crist, of the business. The video they have already proven camera caught one of the robbers fleeing the building. During the robbery at Gus—even though the man said he even though the man said he was just walking by. The tape will be admissible in a court of law and will be used at the trial. Recently, Sgt. Darren Reed

said he responded to a home invasion call and caught the bad guys on camera as they fled

bad guys on camera as they fled the scene.

The video cameras were purchased with a U.S. Department of Justice block grant. Each camera cost \$3,800 and are mounted just below the rear view mirror. Officers wgar a microphone clipped to their uniform and anytime they make a stop, they activate the system. The tapes are eight hours long and are kept for 30 days. If they have a tape of a citzen complaining, they hold the tapes for one year.

To prevent tampering. Crist said the video tape and VCR equipment is kept in locked box in the truck of each car. Tonly Lt. Sweet and I have keys to that box, said Lt. Crist. The cameras also protect the officers in cases of citizen complaints.

"We had a citizen complain.

complaints.
"We had a citizen complain that two of our officers had hassled their son at his

residence. When in fact the tape showed they were very professional and courteous. It negated the allegations," said

nogated the allegations. said Lt. Crist. ,
Police Chief Michael Miller also praises the video cameras and says they are a good reminder to his officers to be courteous when dealing with the public.

If the officer is involved in any inappropriate conduct, it would be captured on video tape, which would be very detrimental to him and beneficial to the citizen, notes Lt. Crist.

In another incident, Lt. Crist says, a prisoner who was being

says, a prisoner who was being transported to the county jail threatened the officer and made reference to hurting his family. "We were able to charge

family. "We were able to charge him with corruption by threat of a public official," he said. "We have also used it in a couple of roadside sobriety tests," he noted. "Some citizens seem to think we can't do this. But there is no expectation of privacy when you're talking to an officer," said Lt. Crist. The city is hooing to get a

The city is hoping to get a 2000-2001 grant to install the cameras in the remaining six police cars which do not currently have the equipment





rs Mickecia Hayden and Deidre Mattis post colors for Class of 2000 Class Night Tuesday, May 23. Carrying



Children at Canal Point Elementary joined News Channel 12's Sharon Lichter, right, and the South Florida Science Museum's Executive Director Jim Rollings, left, for the ribbon cutting and grand opening the Star Lab, the new inflatable planetarium dome on its inaugural voyage May 15. Star Lab allows students to experience "Star Reach," a new educational outreach program, that allows students to step inside and see the night skies projected all around. Star Lab was made possible through grants from the Quantum Foundation and the A.D. Henderson Foundation.



of seniors to complete the Criminal Justice Magnet program to date. These stu

of seniors to complete the Criminal Justice Magnet program to date. These students are poised to reach for great achievements and success in the Criminal Justice field. Among the experiences that instructor Brian Frank and magnet coordinator Karen Schultz have provided are: courtroom observations, mock trials, various crime scene investigations, jail tours, extensive field study, and job-shadowing with criminal justice agencies. The students have earned many prestigious scholarships and awards in the study of criminal justice including the Bright Futures Scholarship Award, the Congregational Church Scholarship, Year - 2000 State Attorney's Scholarship, Take Stock in Children and Florida Merit Scholarships, and the a Youth-Court Attorney Award. These fine future community leaders will soon be attending the University of South Florida, FAMU, Florida State University, Palm Beach Community College, University of Contral Florida, Indian River Community College, Alabama State University, Garden City Community College, Elmhurst University, and Florida Atlantic University. Some will be entering the Police or Corrections Academy and a feware, as of yet, undecided as to which school they want to attend or direction they will go.



Sugar Bear Chorus and Drama Club at Pioneer Park Elementary pre-nerman and His Wife." March 7. Pioneer Park Elementary's music departs by Dawn Jones, offers a drama club, guitar ensemble, instrumental ensem

Davis receives Palms West scholarship

ships from the Auxiliary, this

year.
The scholarship is awarded for one year and past recipients are encouraged to re-apply

Shequita Davis of Belle Glade was recently awarded a scholarship by Palms West can thospital Volunteer Auxiliary.

Twenty-four winners from western Palm Beach County received \$36,000 in scholarship committee.

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"Palms West Hospital "Palms West Hospital Volunteer Auxiliary is honored to have the privilege of reaching out to our community and helping students continue their

Faims west rospital Auxiliary Scholarship Committee. Fore more information or to inquire about volunteer oppor-tunities, please, call the Auxiliary office at (581) 798-3300 ext. 1053.

Canal Point Elementary hosts "Do the Right Thing" awards

By Trasy Whirls
Canal Point elementary hosted
the final "Do the Right Thing"
awards ceremony for April winners
on Monday May 22:
The program, sponsored by the
Palm Beach County Sheriff 3 Office
Community Policing Unit, the
Palm Beach County School District
and local businesses recognizes Paim Beaen County School District and local businesses recognizes area elementary school students for "doing the right thing"—whether it's avoiding confrontations, return-ing lost items, being helpful to the teacher in class and performing other acts of good citizenship.

teauer in cuses and performing other acts of good citizenship. During Monday's awards cermony, several students who have been nominated more-shan once during this school year received special recognition. They included: Sheyna Jackson and Thomassena Stewart from Pioneer Park Ware, Juan Lopez, Anshavious Lewis, Ashlkey Beyers, Ciera Butts, Tamesha Coney and Nathaniel Purdue from Rosenwald Elementary and Kalya Dehart, Miguel "Rodriguez and Brittany Honeycutt from Canal Point Elementary. lementary. April winners and nomin

•Rosenwald Elementary: First place: Michael Thompson; First place: Michael Thompson; Second place Lasheika Earley; Third place Anikee McDonald; also nominated: Tamesha Coney, Ciera Butts, Joanna Dunbar, Timshae Burden, Ashley Beyers and Nathaniel Purdue. •Belle Glade Elementary: First place Joshua Cavazos, Second place Javier Benitze, Third place Marvus Saddler. Also nomi-nated: Kenia' Medina and Michelle Zavala.

Pioneer Park Elementary:
First Place Rebeka Jenkins.
Canal Point Elementary:
First place Shaurda Everett;
Second place Luis Juarez; Third Dexter Holmes, Also nomi-: Daniel Chavez, Felicia ints, Lykeria Ross, Kyle ey, Horace Odoms, Raheam

Rebeka Jenkins
Buxton, Miguel Rosales, Jarmal
McCants and Brittany Honeycutt,
Sponsors of the Do The Right
Thing program include: Glades
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Larry Royal Family Business, Atlantic Sugar Association, The Rotary Club of Pahokee, The First Community Bank of Palm Beach County, The Rotary Club of Belle Glade, Okeelanta Corporation, Milton Carpenter Insurance Company, David Wade, Betty M. Thomas, Dordive S. Vaughn, Ace





Shaurda Everett

Hardware, Boynton Beach, Bank of Belle Glade, Everglades Unit #20, American Legion Auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion, Squadron #20, American Legion Everglades Post 20, King Ranch.

Fat Boys BBQ and The Cato Corporation/Cato Fashions. According to PBCSO Deputy Michael Bair, the sheriff's office Michael Bair, the sheriff's office hopes to expand the program to other Glades area elementary schools in the fall, For more information, or to become a sponsor, phone Deputy Michael Bair, Deputy Gary Pace, Deputy Thomas Padgett or Deputy-Lucy Quinomes at (661) 996-1670.

Local math teacher receives President's Award for Excellence

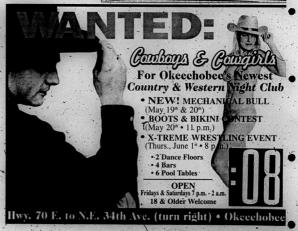
President Clinton has named James Dean a recipient of the nation's highest honor for U.S. math teachers in grades K-12. Mr. Dean, a teacher at Glade View Elementary and Pioneer Park Elementary, is among 200 teachers selected for the 1999 Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching Teaching.

"America's continuing success in the international technological rev-olution depends heavily upon building our stretch in mathematbuilding our stretch in mathematics and science education," said Rita Colwell, director of the National Science Foundation, which administers the awards program on, behalf of the White House. The teachers we honor the program of the White House are described by the said of the White House. The teachers we honor the said of the White House are described by the said of the White House. here are educating those who will lead this country-and the world-in creating, developing, and put-ting to work new ideas and new

Each year, a national panel of each state and four designated itstinguished scientists, mathematicians and educators recommend teachers to receive a state finalists. distinguished scientists, mathe-maticians and educators recom-mend teachers to receive a Presidential Award-one elementary and one secondary math teacher and one elementary and one secondary science teacher from

As an awardee, Mr. Dean will receive a \$7,500 educational grant to be used at Glade View and Pioneer Park. dee, Mr. Dean will





Swimming is cool choice for summer exercise



are out of Katrina Elskin s h a p e . ontributing Editor While they Ond time for surfing the inter-net and playing endless hours of video games, many Ameri-cans say they can't make the

time to exercise. As the Florida heat index rises,

however, I find myself exercis-ing more these days - in the

pool. Swimming is a good form of swimming is a good form of aerobic exercise for a number of reasons. We have been told by doctors and health experts that aerobic exercise is impoortant for overall good health. Aerobic exercises, according to "Low Fat Living" by Dr. Robert Cooper, are "exercises that safetly and comfortably increase your breathing and heart rate for an extended period of time - usually at least 20 minutes - without disturbing the balance between your intake and use of oxygen. In contrast, anaerobic exercises are activities that require a quick burst of energy, such as sprinting. Anaerobic exercises use up the oxygen that is in

use up the oxygen that is in your system.

Swimming can be a good aero-bic exercise because it is so easy to adapt it to your own pace. By changing the style or the speed you swim; you can increase your heart rate withur heart rate with out overtaxing yourself.

back or legs.

back or legs.
Swimming is a total body exercise. It really gets you moving.
It's an exercise the whole family can enjoy together.
If you don't know how to swim,

If you don't know how to swim, now might be a good time to summer memberships for local learn. If you live in Florida, odds are that sooner or later I have heard some people actuyou could wind up in the water. Check with the county recreation department or the American Red Cross to find out about tors might give you the incen-

of exercise. It doesn't leave you swimming lessons in your area. If you're not lucky enough to Swimming is low impact. It have a pool (or a friend, with does not stress or strain your one), check with the county recreation department about

public pools.
Swimming pools at schools are also sometimes opened to the public during the summer.
Some RV Parks with pools offer

tive to swim faster. Check with your doctor before making any changes in your diet or exercise plan.

In the news this week: If you have a pacemaker, sheck with your doctor before using magnets. Some people think magnets have some kind of healing properties and use them to relieve arthritis or muscle pain. I don't know if that works or not, but according to recent studies, magnets worn on the body may interfere with pace-

visits. The groups most fre-quently treated for such injuries include males, aged 15 to 44, and women over the age of 75.

The most common body parts affected include the face, fingers, hands, and scalp. Many lacerations of the skin should be sutured after appropriate wound preparation and anesthesia. The choice of suture

type and size depends on lacer-ation location, type, and depth, and on the length of time the sutures are to remain in the

ER Chronicles: She kept getting interrupted tering behind her. Traumatic wounds account for approximately 12 million USA emergency department visits each year, and represent more than 10 percent of all ER.



can," called out. N e l s o n watched the 40-ish female

Arlen R.
Stauffer, MD past the doorvay of his ER room again. He
wondered where she was going;
this was at least the tenth time

this was at least the tenth time sive flew by his rooms. He continued holding the ice hag to his throbbing lip. He was trying to stay patient, and the bleeding had finally stopped. Nelson ran his tongue along the inside of that lip, and decided that it must be at least three times its normal size.

That woman in the white coat was a blur as she swept by the doorway again. Nelson could hear the sounds of sirens growing louder.

n heard the sirens stop

right outside. Although he couldn't see what was going on in the rooms around him, he did pick up the excited voices describing "chest pains" and "fracture-deformities" and "pressure" numbers every few

Suddenly, the woman in the

Suddenly, the woman in the white coat stuck her head around the corner.
"Sir, I know you've already been here for a while," she said hurriedly, "and I'll be with you pretty soon, but I have to see one more patient over here first. OK?"

Nelson could respond, she was gone.
"Uh, yeah, OK," he whispered

to nobody in particular.

He heard a clanging sound that must have been right next

Then there was silence, but only for a few seconds.

Nelson closed his eyes, and tried to block out the confusing sounds that surrounded him. A few drips of cold water from the ice bag trickled down to his chin. He thought of at least 10

chin. He thought of at least 10 places he would rather be on this Saturday afternoon.
"Hey, buddy," A young man touched Nelson's shoulder. The Doc's coming. I'll get the things ready for her in here." He pulled several items from a counter, and placed them carefully on a bedside.tray. He was opening a package when that woman in the white coat appeared again. appeared again.
"Hi, sir. I'm Dr. Cortez," she

"Hi, sir. I'm Dr. Cortex," she said as she quickly removed the said as he quickly removed the ice 'bag and a piece of gauze from Nelson's lip.

As Cortez began cleaning the area with a cool solution, she asked several questions about how the injury occurred, and she pushed against several teeth with her fingers to see if any were loose.

any were loose.

She probed with a finger along the inside of the swollen

"The teeth seem OK, but the cut does go all the way through the lip. This will need a couple different types of stitches."

Nelson nodded. Cortez placed

some blue towels over the lower half of his face and his neck.

"OK. This will hurt a bit."
Cortez leaned over Nelson's
face and gently slid a thin needle into his lip. "It will be numb in a minute.

Over the next 15 minutes, cortez spoke in a calm voice as the tugged and sewed and lipped. She told Nelson what clipped. ped. She told Nelson what was doing to his skin every couple minutes

Nelson managed an "uh-huh"

a few times.

Three times as Cortez worked, there were brief interruption

Hey, Doc, can I give that guy in Room 12 some more Phenergan? He just vomited again."
"Dr. Cortez, I turned up the

nitro drip on the woman in Room 10, and I think it's helped her pain a little."

"Excuse me. I just wanted to let you know that the drunk guy from Room 3 just ripped out his IV line and ran out the

After each of these interrup-

After each of these interrup-tions, Cortez provided a one or two word response to the nurse without looking away from Nel-son's face. She kept sewing. "Just one more stitch here, Sir." she reported. "There." As she pulled the blue towels off of Nelson's face and neck, she began moving toward the downway. "Sir, the nurse will tell you about follow-up for this." She was gone. She was gone.

The young assistant returned to Nelson's bedside. As the sistant returned w Nelson's bedside. As the nurse applied some ointment and a bandage, Nelson heard sirens approaching again. He caught some excited voices reporting the details of a car accident, something about

way again, her white coat flut-

han the property is worth.

Mr. Branch said the city

p to code. Mr. Branch urged his fellow

commissioners not to annex or accept "second rate things."

times I've heard people say we're not like Lake Worth or

don't know

Dr. Stauffer, an emergency physician in New Smyrna accident, something about a "bad T-bone crash."

The doctor who had just repaired his lip ran by his door-Beach, is a member of the Flori-da College of Emergency Physicians. www.fcep.org

respect," Mr. Branch said. "We've got to pursue excel-lence."



INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS...The Belle Glade Woman's Club held installation of offin Thursday, May 25 at the Drawbridge Cafe. Shown, from left are: Dr. Janet ns, District 10 Director who enstalled the officers, Gloria Swager, treasurer, Pate, corresponding sceretary, Brenda Bunting, secretary, Virginia Anderson, vice president, Terri Calsetta, first vice president, and Sandra Chamblee, president.

Access Rroad/From Page 1 providing space for American Structural Systems permanent

tum. While the city had previously concentrated on finding a big employer to replace jobs that have already been lost in the area, Mr. Jackson said many of the companies that ave approached the city about ave approached the city about locating in the park are small er organizations that don't have the necessary capital to

build roads and other infrastructure to locate their businesses there

Mayor Clarence Anthony said another reason, the city action gat the site will be encouraged by the forward momentum. While the city had a work. Mayor Clarence Anthony

The county has expressed concern about providing moneys to cities that are not ready to proceed with targeted projects, proposing instead to channeling money to ready to proceed with their proAccording to Fred Roth of the

The projected 12,000 yards of that will be removed

from the road bed will be trans ported to the site of the city's proposed nature park, to be ed in future construction of embankments and trails as the

material will be used to con-struct the base for the future four-lane entrance way and utility easements alongside it.

Gordian Group, Inc., the com-pany will demuck the 100 ft. corridor and construct the 120 ft. road base.

park is developed.

An estimated 16,000 yards of

na under 20 grams and a man who

being sought.

Belle Glade Police say they will continue the drug sting operation from time to time, using different

They are asking any citizen who as any information regarding many remain anonymous and still help police fight crime.

weeds growing up in the yard and nothing has been done to Annexation/From Page 1

be annexed by the city. Com-missioner Babb noted at that and nothing has been done to foreclose on the property.

One example, he said, is the Unwin property, worth \$5,000-7,000 if the building were razed and the lot cleared, Mr. Branch said \$33,000 in city liens have been assessed, against it, in addition to \$6,000 in back countries. time that when the city was approached to annex the property, Mr. Perez had agreed to improve the property by paving it and correcting any code enforcement violations that Then-Mayor Alvis Davis and Vice Mayor Roy Singletary agreed that the code violations ty taxes, but the city has yet to foreclose on the property.

Mr. Schenck said often the taxes and mortgages on such

must be addressed before the property would be annexed. Newly-elected Commissioner properties amount to more Hugh Branch noted at the May 23 meeting that the property had not been brought up to should purchase such proper ties for back taxes to serve as prototype, to encourage land-owners to keep their property

andards. We have plenty of property out of code in the city right now I'm very opposed to annexing property we can't handle," Mr. Branch said.

The commissioner moved that the ordinance be tabled indefinitely, then amended his motion to reject the annexa-tion, after City Manager Ken Schenck said that Palm Beach County code enforcement offi-cials would not take action against the property as long as it appeared the city would annex it. Commissioner Pete Moore seconded Mr. Branch's

Commissioner Henry Craw-ford questioned whether the city could suffer any legal repercussions after accepting \$6,000 in permitting fees from the property owner to prepare for the annexation.

for the annexation.

City attorney Michael Stauder said it is not uncommon for property owners to pay those fees, and "no specific promise" was given that the city would

annex the property.

Mayor Roy Singletary said once the property is brought into compliance, the city could reconsider the ordinance

annexing the property.
"Nothing is in stone," the
mayor said. "I want you to
understand that." In a related matter, Commis-

sioner Branch, said the city must end its "sit back and take it" approach to code enforce-ment violations.

Quite frankly, I'm not accus tomed to that approach," Mr. Branch said, noting that the City of Pahokee currently has 25 vacant properties which have been closed up, with



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Drug bust/From Page 1 thousand dollars were seized from the suspected drug dealers.

Those arrested included: Ramad Terry, 16, for robbery and petty theft. Sonyette Barber, 35, attempted sale of a controlled substance and theft; Timothy Kyles, 35, attempted sale of a controlled so, attempted sale of a controlled substance and then Mark Antho-ny Walden, 19, three counts of sale of cocaine and three counts of pos-session of cocaine, Jessie Franklin, 12, sale of cocaine and possession of cocaine, two juveniles, both 17,

on of marijuana under 20 grams, Winston Thomson, 44, sale of marijuana and pos marijuana with intent to sell, Andre Harris, 31, possession of cocaine with intent to sell, Henry Givens, 25, sale of marijuana and sion of marijuana under 20

Also arrested were Johnny Mays, 54, for aggravated battery warrant, aggravated assault warrant, aggravated stalking warrant and domestic battery warrant, juvenile, 16, possession of marijua-

they do not ha ey do not have a name on was so arrested for possession of cocaine. Another suspect is also

ers in the department. narcotics activity or any other crime to call them at 996-7251. You

OPINION PAGE

Feel strongly about local issues?



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the right to edit calls for clarity, brevity, relevance and fairness.

How long on this bridge?

sh they'd get the 715 Bridge fixed. It is real hassle trying to get around with that bridge

How much longer before it will be fixed?

Editor's note: The bridge closed March 8 and offiicals with the Department of Transportation said it will take about seven months to redo the bridge, it should be open the last of September or first of November.

An open letter to some thieves

you be so cruel and uncaring of your

Last fall, I purchased a bicycle and mounted a child's seat on it to take my toddler for bike rides after work and on the weekends. About a week before Christmas, you stole it. I guess you were too darned lazy to get a job and provide a Christmas present for someone, luh?

I work hard for my money. I spend a little on something my son and I can do together and be

outside in the fresh air and get some exercise, and

what happens? You take that away from us.

My aunt bought my disabled boyfriend a trike for Christmas. It had a basket on back, perfect for our son to ride in. Since his accident, my boyfriend has limits on the things he can and can't do. Riding this trike with our son was, again, something the two of them could do together, outside in the fresh air. What did you do? You climbed a locked gate, cut a chain off his trike, somehow got it over the fence,

and took it. How dare you?

We receive no assistance from food stamps, WAGES, or anything. I pay the rent, car payment, and all the usual bills, and it's darned hard sometimes. Now, because some jerk is too lazy to go to work for a living, my two year-old has to suffer, a lisabled man, who has already been through so nuch, has to suffer. Why?

You have no respect for other people whatsoever.

One day, this life of petty theft will catch up to you, One day, this life of petty theft will catch up to you, and when it does, I hope you get what's coming to you. If may not be here in this life, but the Lord is watching, and He'll be there on judgement day. How are you going to justify yourself then?

You know, what, though? I forgive you. Now, maybe if you can get all the other people whose lives you have had a negative affect on (as I'm sure.

this isn't the first time you've resorted to crime) to forgive you, maybe, just maybe, the Lord will show

Eyesore on Avenue L

"I have been noticing that the junk yadd near the entrance of Oscoola Center on Avenue L just continues to get worse and worse. Can't the city do something about this? It's one thing to have a junk yard behind walls, but this is beginning to spread

out and up above the walls. This is an eyesore and probably attract rats and could also possibly be dangerous. Could you find out if the city plans to do anything about this? Thank you!

The little engine that could

The little engine that could

'I am speaking to the people of this community.
As I said, people, not color.
For every action, there is a freaction, therefore, we can't continue to sit around and wait for something to happen. It is time we make things happen in our community. To say it is one thing. To do it is another. We always say 'Do unto others as you would have them do unto you', yet we fail to do as we so proudly speak. To speak is just words. Where is the action? Action is what makes things happen.
As Martin Lather King stated in his most roulife. As Martin Luther King stated in his most prolific speech, 'One day, all men will come together as one, black, white, red, yellow.'All of our blood is one, red. We have only one God.

I was born and raised here and yet I still have failed to see this community show respect for any

It is time we stop being afraid of each other ture and each other. We are people, going through the same kinds of problems. Let's just become one. We just have to put our minds to doing it. We can. Remember The Little Engine That Could' He did. Can your engine do it?

Elderly getting a better deal?

"I'm calling because I'd like to know why some people are treated differently by Palm Tran. when I take the city bus, I pay \$1 because I'n 30 years old. But, an elderly lady comes behind me who's 60-some years old and she only pays 50

I'm trying to figure out the concept of what does

it mean that we're all treated equally, when we are paying different prices. Everyone knows it takes the same amount of gas to transport me as it does the elderly person. Why is there such a discount for

Is it my fault that I wasn't born in the late 1920's to late 1930 and I'm not in my late 60's or 70's? I have no disrespect for old people, I just don't

understand the concept.

What I'm saying is, why are they punishing the younger people? It's not my fault my parents weren't born old enough to have me at that particular time, so why are they making us pay more than they do the elderly people? If this rule stands and I'm still on it I will be that

age too, so why are they letting the elderly pay less? What's the point of senior citizen discounts?"

Editor's note: I'm sure we have some readers Editor's note: I'm sure we nave some reauers win will be glad to respond to your questions, especial-ly some of our senior citizens. Readers can call our Speak Out line 24-hours a day at 996-6636.

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entious journalism.
To provide the information citizens need to make their own décisions about public issues.

To report the news with honesty, accuracy, pur poseful neutrality, fairness, objectivity, fearles and compassion.

use our opinion pages to faciltate community ate community debate, not to dominate it with

give each correction the

prominence it deserves

To provide a right to reply to-those about whom we write.

To treat people with courtesy, respect and compassion.



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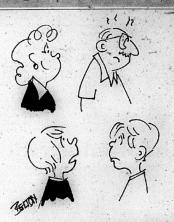
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" MOM'S GOTTA BE SMARTER THAN DAD ... SHE'S NEVER WRONG. "

-Letters to the Editor-

Wake up Pahokee Housing Authority

Dear Editor:
I am responding to the letter in a recent edition of *The Sun* and to your Speak Out column. concerning the Panokee Housing Authority.

The tenant's protest was not unfair. Something had to be done. Things were getting out of hand. I am not working against anyone. This tenant was referred to me by the Tenant Association president.

Association president.

If we are going to tell this story, let's do it right. Mr. Atkins and Ms. Hale, please inform the tenants that on the weekend of April 29-May

the tenants that on the weekend of April 29-May
1, begged both of you not to evict Lisas Kelly.
Lisa is a single mother of five children, including a newborn of only three weeks old.
At the time of her eviction she was evicted for
a \$76.00 maintenance fee that automatically
turns into rent if not paid within 30 days.
Payments of all monies owned were offered to
the Pahokee Housing Authority, including from
an agency out of Lake Worth. All efforts were
refused. I was told there wasn't anything that refused. I was told there wasn't anything that could be done, until the word "Protest" was uttered. Suddenly, loopholes and explanations were found everywhere.

Can you imagine the stress and the burden that was placed on this young woman's shoul-ders? The threat of being evicted with five little ones with no where to go.

Even I was an emotional wreck for days

And for the outraged caller, it only takes one person to protest. If you do not live in one of the developments, then you are not aware of what's

going on.

Pahokee Housing Authority was really intimidated by the media, not the protest. Are they hiding something?

If you really want the news crew back out

here, it can be arranged, since there are so many things you want them to see. The message the six protesters conveyed to Pahokee Housing Authority was heard, loud and

Tenants, don't be afraid to voice your opinions ecause my voice will be heard.

Vice President of the Tenant's Association Fremd Village

Giving tribute to a great citizen

There are many people within our community who strive every day to make a difference toward the positive side of life. Some of these people act on their ideas and visions with a group and some quietly add to our lives in often unseen and unheard of ways. They are all fine citizens who simply want to give back a bit of what they ve receive

Here in Pahokee we have a huge task before us. Our city is old and crumbling, yet full of hope and vision. Too often we hampered by prejudice egos in our attempts to make a future for our children

wish to thank a man who could have retired from work. caring, and community involve-ment seven years ago at the ment seven years ago at the age of 65, yet he chose and still chooses to enhance the life of our community. He has lived in and operated a business in Pahokee for the past 33 years, all because he stopped to get his car serviced at Pahokee Ford and took a job with them. This man has kept his eyes and ears open and has always helped those in need.

I have had the pleasure of working with this person on many occasions over the past four years. In that time he has: Helped organize and cook fundraising barbecues for sev-

eral people in need.

• Designed and h Designed and helped build a new framework for the hurri-

cane-damaged giant bougian-villea at the city park

• Loaned time, money, and

lessons to people like me who were in need at the time.

• Assisted Mayor Davis in the design and erection of the new "Welcome" sign at the entrance to Pahokee Marina

and Campground.

• Kept his business going is in and his wife happy.

• Worked hand-in-hand with me in the design and construc-tion of the new "Pahokee" sign on the side of the Hoover Dike. Had cataract surgery.

· Helped cook and serve our athletes breakfast during foot-

ball season · Ran for a seat on the City

And, just simply continued to be an asset to the community and a good friend to all of us.

This man is Mr. Glen Carricl

and I wish to publicly thank him for all he has done and continues to do for our city, his neighbors and me. Thanks Glen for being an example to many, a friend to all, and a man with common sense and convic tion.

Stop by and thank him for being a great citizen.

Thankfully yours, Larry Wright Pahokee

A letter from the Class of 2000, Pahokee Junior/Senior High School •

Dear Editor:

We, the Class of 2000,
Pahokee Junior/Senior High
School, would like to thank Ms.
Christine, McEntire and Ms.
Rebecpa Bush, for support and
guidance, in addition to
Principal, May Gamble, Ms.
Vicki Hyneman, our administrative staff, our guidance coor-

dinators and counselors, Mr. Joe Marx, Mr. Chuck Green, and Mrs. Melanie Bolden-Morris as well as all our teachers from over the last 13 years

ers from over the last 13 years of our lives.

However, the people we are most grateful of are our biggest supporters, our parents. Thank you for your love and support.

Your guidance and caring for us have played an integral part in our commencement. We simply want to say thank you to all who have helped us over the years. May God bless you.

The Class of 2000 Pahokee Junir/Senior High School



About letters

To voice your opinion about Glades issues, or to respon favorably or unfavorably to articles printed in the paper, we epsourage you to write us a letter. Send to: The Sun

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Sports Banquet
he City of Pahokee Reon Department will be he
a Football/Basketball B a Football/Basketball Ban-ton Friday, June 2 at 6 p.m. he City of Pahokee Commu-y Recreational Complex o, on Saturday, June 3, re will be a football camp i registration for kids ween the ages of 9 and 15. cost is \$60 and pre-regis-tion starts at 9 a.m. with the no starting at 10 n.m.

tion starts at 9 a.m. with the up starting at 10 a.m. here will be free hot dogs I drinks for all participants. nyone needing additional ormation can call Ron orne at 924-2972. Sponsors

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ommunity Usited Methot Church invites all ages
n children to grandparents
attend their Vacation Bible
ool. The Bible will be their
pit as they act out the Bible
entures and everyone will
oy making crafts in the Prop
pp as well as visiting
adder Theater.
The Holy Word Studios
action Bible School will

begin Monday, June 5 and con-tinue through Friday, June 9 from 7 to 9 p.m. each evening. For more information, call the church office at 996-5568.

1996 class reunion

The Class of 1996 Glades Central High, will be having a pre-class reunion on Saturday, June 10 at 3 p.m. at Pioneer Park.

Every member of the class who plans to attend will need to contribute \$5 to help with the cost of food by June 3. After that date the cost will be \$10.

For more information, con-act Carla Little-Rhoden at 924-6414 anytime before 3 p.m. or Mr. and Mrs. Schultz at 993-4448 before 3 p.m. and 996-5520 after 3 p.m.

Health Fair

Health Fair
A Health and Safety Fair is
planned for June 3 from 10
a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Bele
Glade Fire Department, 525
S.W. 2nd Street, Belle Glade.
The event is

Beach County Health Care District, Belle Glade Division of Public Safety and Ever-glades Area Health Education

of Points and real the Education Center.

Over 50 agencies and organizations will participate and there will be free food, ballogons, face painting, entertainment and door prizes.

There will be free asthma screening, free mammography screening for eligible participants, car seat safely inspections, including free car seats, the South Florida Blood Bank will participate and the Bicycle Safety Van will be giving safety tips and free helmets.

Stand for Children

Day

A week of activities are planed for Stand for Children Day on June 4-10 ending with a concert and festival at Lake Shore Park

Shore Park.

Anyone interested in working as a volunteer, becoming a co-sponsor or who would like to participate in a Community Choir, Fashion Show or other activities should contact one of activities should contact of the individuals listed belo

Lt. Curtis Stambaugh at 996-7270; Barbara Bell-Spence at 996-0111; Mary Harrell at 996-8087; Irene Clay at 996-3738 or Corey Wilkerson at 992-9500.

South Bay Head Start

South Bay Head Start
caccepting children
The South Bay Head Start
Center is accepting children
who will be three or four years
of age on or before September
1. Parents gen apply for the
Head Start program for the
2000-2001 school year.
For additional information
concerning registration, contact Sandra or Bridgette at
996-0660 or 996-0661, or stop
by the Head Start office located
te 25 Martin Luther King

at 625 Martin Luther King

Women's Day

Women's Day
The annual Women's Day
will be held at New Bethel
Baptist Church on Sunday,
June 11 at 11 am. The theme
is "Jesus Christ, The Same
Yesterday, Today, and Forever."
Speaker will be Barbara
Wright and the colors for the

vent are red and white.
The church is located at 1101
Vest Avenue A, Belle Glade.

The story of the man who named clouds



The other day I did som that, for me, is backyard and watched the

louds go by.

Normally, when I look at the clouds I'm doing it as part of my job; searching the sky for clues as I attempt to solve the

forecast.

But not this time. This time I just wanted to look at the clouds. I spent about 20 minutes observing the clouds and identifying them.

There were many cumulus clouds, the ones that look like puffs of cotton. We see them a lot around here There, was

lot around here. There was some cirrus clouds, too. These are composed of ice crystals and often look like strands of

There are four basic types of

clouds: high clouds, middle clouds, low clouds and vertical clouds. Within each group there are a whole bunch of clouds, each with a bewildering variety

of shapes and colors.

And all have unusual names.Names like nimbostratus, altocumulus and, my per-sonal favorite, the swelling cumulus

Where did these names come rom? The man who named the louds was an Englishman named Luke Howard.

In the early days of the 19th century not much was known about clouds. Scientists knew the clouds were made of water but what they couldn't figure out how something made of water could float in the air. Many scientists thought the clouds must be made of bubbles, since bubbles could float.

bles, since bubbles could float. These scientists called clouds "essences" floating in the sky. They had no other name until Luke Howard came along.

Luke always seemed to have his head in the clouds. As a youngster, he was more interested in the book of Nature than I stip, suphymatics or the than Latin, mathematics or the Greek classics. He would spend hours watching the clouds go

By the time he was 20. Luke had torn himself away from the clouds long enough to earn a degree as a biologist. He got a job in London as a pharmac While he enjoyed his wor Luke never stopped watch the clouds.

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the clouds.

He joined an organization called The Askesians It was made up of scientists who refered to themselves as "natural philosophers." During their monthly meeting, a member would read a scientific paper, usually about something in Natura to the grape.

Nature, to the group.

Luke's turn to speak to the group came during the winter of 1802-03. Having spent a lifetime watching the clouds, Luke was more than ready to talk about his favorite subject.

His paper was called "On the modification of clouds." In it, he classified every cloud. His paper was so well received that it was published. it was published.

Today, Luke Howard's "On the modification of clouds" is considered a classic in the history of science. We still use the basic theme Luke presented that night and we still use the Latin names he gave to the clouds

Altogether, there are major cloud types found in the lower ten miles of the atmos-phere. All have names, thanks

(Mike Lyons is the chief weather forecaster for WPBF-TV)

rrest Blotters

Editor's note: The police news on this page lists arrests, not convictions, unless otherwise ted. Arrested persons who later are found not guilty or have had the charges against them apped are welcome to let us know. We will confirm the information and print it.

DUTH BAY
The South Bay Police Department made 14
rests the week of May 21-27.
ose arrested included:

y 21 - David M. Lesser, 30, introducing
straband into d'correctional facility and possion of marijuana under 20 grams; Serena
here, 21, introducing contraband into a cortional facility and possession of marijuana
der 200 grams tional facility der 200 grams.

der 200 grams.

y 22 - No arrests made.

y 23 - Anthony A. Horne, 28, warrant
rest for violation of probation on charges of
ssession of cocaine; Terrance Lindsay, 20,
urant for failure to appear.

y 24 - Joe T. McDonald, 28, arrested three
withing days are the description of the company of

39 24 - Joe T. McDonald, 28, arrested three ases this day, once for domestic battery and refor aggravated battery and violation of a irt order and again for aggravated battery; enda Davis, 39, aggravated battery; ay 25 - Gary W. Brooks, 29, possession or trijuaná over 20 grams within 100 feet of a tool, and for having drug paraphernality, without the standard paraphernality and the standard paraphernality. Shattara omas, 27, possession of marjuana over 20 mas and within 100 feet of a school and drug aparaphernality. Bhattara omas, 27, possession of marjuana over 20 ms and within 100 feet of a school and drug raphernality. Denovan A. Braham, 36, possession of Paraphernality.

iomas, 27, possession of marijuana over 20 mbs and within 100 feet of a school and drug raphernalia; Denovan A. Braham, 36, pos-sion of marijuana over 20 grams and with-100 feet of a school and possession of drug raphernalia; Glory Davix, 38, failure to pear, Hernand Walker, 28, fleeing and iding a police officer. y 19 - Juvenile, 9, aggravated assault, ay 20 - Tyronne Adams, 20, domestic bat-

ELLE GLADE

The Belle Glade Police Department handled 2 complaints and gave 22 traffic citations the ek of May 22-28.

so a arrested included: ay 22 - Mark Walden, 19, two counts of pos-sision of cocaine with intent to see, and two ants sale of cocaine; Henry Givens, 25, pos-marked and sale of marijuana: ints sale of cocaine; Henry Givens, 25, pos-sión of marijuana and sale of, marijuana; hnny Mays, 54, aggravated battery and gravated sasault with a deadly weapon, gravated stalking and domestic battery; wyette Barber, 35, attempted sale of a con-ded substance and theft; Juvenile, 16, pos-sion of marijuana under 20 grams; Claude own, 30, aggravated assault with a deadly apon.

spon.

39 23 - Charles Bailey, 32, armed burglary a vehicle and possession of drug parapherna
Juvenile, 16, loitering and prowling; rrance Coffee, 30, petty theft and burglary an occupied structure; Nathaniel Burrughs, 34, burglary to a residence and resistant of the structure of the structure of the structure.

gans, ourgary to a residence and resist-an officer without violence.

ay 24- Oliver Hand, 35, two counts of con-mpt of court; Jessie Franklin, 42, posses-in of cocaine; Juvenile, failure to appear on charges of grand theft

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and burglary to an occupied structure;

Dermaine Odoms, 25, failure to appear on charges of driving without a driver's license.

May 26 - Sabrena Bennett, 29, public assistance fraud; Sidney Peterson, 31, criminal mischief, resisting arrest sirithout violence, simple battery and order of commitment for contempt of court.

May 26 - Timothy Kyles, 35, attempted sale of a controlled substance and theft; Juvenile, 15, retail theft; Miriam Lopez, 23, domestic violence; Sonya Lopez, 28, domestic battery; Juvenile, 17, possession of marijuana under 20 grams; Winston Thompson, 44, possession of marijuana with intent to sell and sale of cecaine.

May 27 - Andre Harris, 31, pos may ZT - Andre Harris, 31; possession of occaine, with intent to sell; Juvenile, 15; rgtail theft; John Doe, age unknown, possession of occaine; Juvenile, 17, retail theft; Josecito Castillo, 32, domestic battery; Ronnie Bostis, 22, affray, Juvenile, 16, affray and battery; Juvenile, 17, battery.

PAHOKEE

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The Pahokee Police Department handled 186
falls, issued 12 traffic citations and made 7
arrests the week of May 22-28.
Those arrested included:
May 22 - Jose Ledesma, 34, domestic battery
and violation of, a no contact order, Albert
Robinson, 49, stalking, burglary, aggravated
assault and resisting arrest without violence.
May 23. 'No arrests made

assaut and resiting arrest without violence.

May 23 - No arrests made.

May 24 - Ricky Fields, 36, burglary to a business; Earl Warner, 44, burglary to a business.

May 25 No arrests made.

May 26 - William L. Thompson, 26, domestic

battery and burglary with assault.

May 27- No arrests made.

May 28 - Timothy Redman, 30, warrant for felony battery: Paula Jones, 32, battery and

PALM BEACH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

The Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office made 8 arrests the week of May 24-30.
Those arrested included:

May 24 - Juvenile, 13, Pahokee, aggravated

hattery.
May 25 - No arrests made

May 26 - Voa rrests made.

May 26 - Jean Lafalaise, 18. Belle Glade, grand theft auto; Nigeria N. Lawrence, 22, Pahokee, abuse of an 'elderly person/disabled adult: Jorge Antonio Lopez, 32, Belle Glade, DUI;

DUI;
May 27 - Juvenile, 12, Pahokee, attempted auto theft; Demetrious Walker, 29, Pahokee, simple battery domestic.
May 28 - Clarence Butler, Jr., 44, Pahokee,

May 28 - Clarence Butter, or a state of dealing in stolen property.

May 29 - George Wilcher, III, 23, Belle Glade, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

May 30 - Louis L. Robinson, 24, Pahokee, aggravated baffery.

CRIME STOPPERS



Crime Stoppers of Palm Beach County, Inc., is asking citizens to help licate James Carl Johnson, who is wanted for bur-glary, fo an occupied structur-and petty thet. Johnson is a black male, 60° tall, and weighs 170 pounds. He has black hair and brown eyes and his date of birth is November 8, 1953. He has a tattoo on his right, shoulder. His last known

address was 909 West Second Street, Riviera Beach. His last occupation was as a nurse, His warrant was active as of May 23, 2000.

of May 23, 2000.
If you know the whereabouts of James Carl Johnson or anyone involved in a serious crime, collection Crime Stoppers at 1.800-458-8477. You can remain anonymous and still receive à cash reward if your tip leads to an arrest.



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Correction





Glades Central graduating senior Shayla Bryant was incorrectly identified and Tanja Burey was inadvertently omitted from *The Son's* special graduation section in last week's paper. We regret

Obituaries



Martha Ellen Sims, 67, of Belle Glade, passed away Monday, May 22, 2000 at Palms West Hospital after an extended illness.
Mrs. Sims was born Oct, 10, 1932 in Statésboro, Ga. She moved to Belle Glade with her husband, Jimmy Sims in 1961 from Daytona. For many years Mrs. Sims was the 'babysitter' for many of Belle Glade's families as she kept children. For many years Mrs. Sims has be kept children in her home while also ranks har of the Belle Glade's Rowling Alley.
She is survived by her husband of more than 50 years, James C. (Jimmy) Sims, two daughters. Marty Sims Carvaford and her husband Pete Morrisof Davie and Brenda Sims Lassiter and her husband Pete Morrisof Davie and Brenda Sims Lassiter and her husband Robert of West Palm Beach. She also leaves behind a stepdaughter. Mary Hanceck and her husband Charlie of Sarassota, three grandchildren, Dayna Crawford Rivers and her husband Saul of Belle Glade Brenan and T.J. Lassiter of West Palm Beach, Naomi Hancock of Sarassota and Charlie Hancock and his willy-Suri, also of Sarassota and Charlie Hancock and his willy-Suri, also of Sarassota and Charlie Hancock and his willy-Suri, also of Sarassota and Charlie Hancock and his willy-Suri, also of Sarassota and Charlie Hancock and his willy-Suri, also of Sarassota and Charlie Hancock and his willy-Suri, also of Sarassota and Charlie Hancock and his willy-Suri, also of Sarassota and Charlie Hancock and his willy-Suri, also of Sarassota and Charlie Hancock and his willy-Suri, also of Sarassota and Charlie Hancock and his willy-Suri, also of Sarassota and Charlie Hancock and his willy-Suri, also of Sarassota and Charlie Hancock and his willy-Suri, also of Sarassota and Charlie Hancock and his willy-Suri, also of Sarassota and Charlie Hancock and his willy-Suri, also of Sarassota and Charlie Hancock and his willy-Suri, also of Sarassota and Charlie Hancock and his willy-Suri, also of Sarassota and Charlie Hancock and his will-Suri and Martin Hancock and his will-Suri and Martin Hancock and his will-Suri and Martin Hancock four great grandchildren, Adrian and Austin Rivera and Alvssa and Ian

Funeral services were held Thursday, May 25 at First Baptist Church of Belle Glade. Pastor Gary Folds officiated. Interment followed at Port Mayaca Cemetery.

Kraeer-Mixson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Wilma Miller, 80, of Canal Point, died Tuesday afternoon May 23, 2000 at Glades General hospital Belle Glade.

A native of Okaloosa County, she was born on May 2, 1920, datighter of the late Boney and Leah Peaden Rushing. She had made her home in the Glades since moving from Plant City in 1926. She had been an active member of the Good Shepherd Church of God since 1946, having served as a Sunday School teacher and a member of the Ladies Willing Workers Band. She was preceded in death by a brother, George Rushing, and a sister, Evelyn Wade.

Surviving are her husband, Tommy Miller, to whom she was married on May 9, 1937; two sons, Rev Larry T.Miller and his wife Sam of Mt. Olive, N.C. and William H. Miller of Canal Point; two daughters, Bobbie Eltod and her husband, James of Canal Point; two and Fave Herick and her

Elrod and her husband, James of Canal Point and Faye Herick and her husband, Jack, of Wellington; two sisters, Ola Mae Boyette of Ocala and Nobie Woods of Fort Myers; 14 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchil-

The funeral service was conducted Saturday, May 27, 2000 at the The funeral service was conducted Saturday, May 27, 2000 at the Good Shepherd Church of God, Pahokee. The Rev James H. Brewer, passtor. officiated: Interment followed in Port Mayaca Memorial Park. Serving as pallbearers were grandsons Job Elrod, Jimmy Elrod, Ty Rogers, William 'Edlip' Miller, Jr., Larry 'Bo' Miller, Jr., Michael P. Miller and Matthew Miller'.

- The James A. Bennett Funeral Homé, Pahokee, had charge of unremembers.

Arthur "Art"-Fincannon, 85, of North Wilkesboro, N.C., died Satturday May 27 at Wilkes Regional Medical Center. He was born Nov. 24". 1914 in Alexander County to Boby Luther and Alice Russell

Nov. 24. 1914 in Alexander County to Boby Luther and Alice Russell Fincannon. Mr. Fincannon was a member of Baptist Home Baptist Church and was a retired insurance aigent, he was preceded in death by his first wife Ruby Hardy Fincannon.

Surviving are his wife, Grace Shumate Fincannon of North Wilkesboro: one brother, Glemn Fincannon of Wilmington, N.C.; three sisters: Lillian Alben of Hickory, N.C.; Virginia Dean of Texas, Martha Miller of Chincoteague, Va.; one grandson, Michael Fincannon and his wife. Enfinae, of Belle Glade and three great gradehilden, Edward Fincannon, Elizabeth Fincannon and Joseph Wheithhan of Belle Glade Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 31 at Miller Pinneral Chapel with Rev Mark Holler officiating, Burial followed in

Please see ORITS/7

Retirement celebration held for Lillie W. Meadows

On May 13, 175 guests attended the retirement celebration in honor of Mrs. Lillie Wright Meadows at the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center. Mrs. Meadows has given 34 years of service to the Palm Beach County West Area Schools Schools

Mrs. Meadows has lived in Belle Glade for 51 years. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Wright, Sr., sisters and broth-er relocated to Belle Glade in 1949 from Dublin, Ga. A fourth 1949 from Dublin, Ga. A fourth grader in 1949, she entered the doors of, a brand new school. Lake Shore Elementary. Then in 1955 in tenth grade she entered the doors of another brand new school, Lake Shore High. Persently she is one of the staff "members, Assistant Principal, to Jose the doors to the "old" Lake Shore Middle. Mrs Meadows savs good-bye Mr.s Meadows says good-bye never to enter the new facili-

hever to enter the new facili-ties in the fall.

Mrs. Meadows is a graduate
of Florida Atlantic University,
Boca Raton. She has a mas-ter's degree in curriculum, administration and supervision. Work areas during Mrs.
Meadows Educational career include, Glade View Elementary, Belle Glade include,
Elementary, Belle Glade
Elementary, East Lake Middle
School, Rosenwald Elementary
Lake Shore

Elementary/Middle School.
Entering the beautifully transformed room adorned with pink and green, Mrs Meadows escort for the Meadows escort for the evening was her husband, Mr. Lee Roy Meadows. Mrs. Edna McClendon, Mistress of Ceremony gave a memorable introduction of the honoree, Guests were welcomed by Area



Mrs. Lillie Wright Meadows, retiring assistant principal of Lake Shore Middle School, is flanked by her husband, Mr. Lee Roy Meadows and daughter Lethenia Joyce Meadows during her retirement celebration at the Dolly

Hand Center May 13.

4 Administrator Mrs. Mary
Evans. The invocation was 4 Administrator Mrs. Mary Evans. The invocation was given by her pastor, Rev. R.F. Hairston III of New Bethel Baptist Church. The blessing of the food was given by a guest from Jacksonville, the Rev. Morris Halyard. Ms. Shakira Hamilton did a divaging department of the control of the Advanced to the control of the control of the Advanced to the control of the control of the control of the divaging department. Shakira Hamilton did a dynamic dramatic rendition of Ain't I A Woman, and received a standing ovation. Songs of praise, love and friendship were given by Mrs. Sonya Sheppard-Hulled Administrative character reflections were given by Mrs.

Cynthia Gilliam, Mrs. Edna McClendon and Mrs. Barbara Altman. Ms. Mary McCarthy, a high school friend, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority and New Bethel Baptist Church gave special presentations, Acknowledgements were given by Mrs. Ruthledge, principal of Lake Shore Middle School. Past principals attending were Mr. Walter Stephens, Mr. Getchrell Singleton, Mr. Gary hageriman, and Mrs. Barbara Altman. Inspirational musical Altman. Inspirational musical

and band from Miami. This eloquent and extravingant evening culminated with a evening culminated with a soulful rendition of "Lily in the Valley," peformed by Mrs. Meadows daughter. Lethenia Joyce Meadows and joined by Mrs.

Out of town family were: Mr Out of town family were: Mr and Mrs. Charlie Davis. Pt. Wayne, Ind.: Mr. and Mrs. Edward Jaggers. Cleveland: Mrs. Gussie Parks and son Tim, Atlanta; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Butler. Mismi. Mrs. Daphanine Wright, Mrs. Martha Lee, and Mrs. Shandra Roberson. Pompano Beach: Mrs. Carol Bowe and daughter Kirsten, Coral Springs; daughter-in-law Mrs. Linda Meadows, grandson Garry Jr., Tallahassee and daughter Lethenia Joyce Meadows. Jacksonville and her guest the Rev. Morris Halyard.

Guests feasted on hors.

Rev. Morris Halyard.
Guests feasted on hors
d'oeuvre and a dinne; of roast
beef, seasoned grilled chicken,
steamed green beans. rice,
candied yams, daner rolls,
iced tea and strawberry shortcake. Food was by Woods
Catering Company and assisted by Clyde Curry.Mrs. Estella
Pyfrom provided table decorations of centerpieces, mats and
programs. Hostesses were tions of centerpieces, mats and programs. Hostesses were Jackie Clervan-Harrell, Joann Rivers, Daisy Greenland, Cynthia Gilliam Daphene Adams and JoAnn Pinney, assisting with decorations. Photographer was Adrian Big Averea and, video cameraman Edward Jaggers. Mrs. Meadows said "Thänks. Thanks and More Thanks. Thank God Almighty free at last. Thank God Almighty free at last and now lim ready for a

Sue Campbell and Daisy Pace retire

On Wednesday, May 10 Belle Glade Elementary School celebrated "The Luxury of Retirement" for Ms. Sue Campbell and Mrs. Daisy Pace. Ms. Campbell has diligently served as the head secretary for Belle Glade Elementary School for 27 years. She has worked with several principals, and former principals Mr. Harry L. Davis and Dr. Lynn McGee as, well as the current principal, Mrs. Glenda Garett attended the retirement celebration.

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Mrs. Pace has worked for the Palm Beach County School District for 34 years and has served as the cafeteria manager at Belle Glade Elementary School for the last four years. She said she wants everyone to know that she's eternally grate-ful for all of the support she ful for all of the support she received from Mrs. Garrett and Mrs. Malone while working there. She added she took joy in



Friends and well wishers attended a retire Ms. Daisy Pace at Belle Glade Elementary M Clay, Juanita J. Malone, Daisy Pace, Harry L Lynne McGee. Pace at Belle Glade Elementary May 10. Pictured, from left to right are Irene ita J. Malone, Daisy Pace, Harry Davis, Sue Campbell, Glenda Garrett and Dr

serving delicious and nutritious meals to the students and staff at various schools in the Glades

by friends, well-wishers , fami-lies and coworkers. Many in attendance came from far away area during her career. just to share in the celebration
The affair was well-attended Those attending the event con-

endeavors and expressed their appreciation for all the two have done during their careers.





Rev. Clifford Davis, pastor of the Wesleyan Community () Holiness Church of Belle Glade was joined by Rev. Robert Bauer pastor of the Belle Glade Church of God and others for the SHIP Spirit 2000 street revival/outreach May 11. Also pictured are Mrs. Davis, Sändra Daniels and Melba Webb. The next Outreach Revival is Thursday, June 8 at Youth Crusade Deliverance, 556 W. Ave. A at 6:30 p.m.

Wester signs with Mars Hill

Robbie Wester, senior wide receiver for Royal Palm Beach High, has signed with Mars Hill College.

Robbie is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wester of Royal Palm Beach, formerly of Belle Glade.

Obituaries

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Mountlawn Memorial Park. Memorials may be made to Baptist Home
Baptist Church, 2367 Sparta Road, North Wilkesboro, N.C. 28659.

Manuel D. Conde, 95, of Pahokee died Saturday, May 27, 2000 at Glades General Hospital. Mr. Conde was born in Clego De Avila, Cuba in 1904 and came to Belle Glade in 1983.

904 and came to Belle Glade in 1983. Survivors include one son, Eneido E. Conde of Montura Ranch Estates, daughter, Elda Gonzalez of Montura Ranch Estates, four grandchâ-iren, four great grandchildren and one great grandchild. Arrangements by Glades Funeral Chapet, Belle Glade,

Luis H. Nayarro, 65, of Belle Glade died Sunday, May 28, 2000 at Hospice of Palm Beach County, Mr. Navarro was born in Victoria, Mexico in 1934 and Moved to Belle Glade in 1955. Mr. Navarro was a rew leather in the agriculture business and a member of the American Leigion Post

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Surrivors include his sons, Johnny Navarro of South Bend, Ind., Jose
Luis Navarro, dr. of Belle Glade, and Raul Gusman of Belle Glade; daughters, Lina Navarro of Harlington, Texas, Joses Justlanos of Belle Glade;
Janie Navarro of Miami, Virginia Navarro of Belle Glade; brotherst, Juan
Navarro of Greenacres, Jacinto Navarro of Belle Glade, Carlos Navarro
of Belle Glade, Ragino Navarro of Clewistor; sisters, Candida Casas of
Mexico, Gloria Peirz of West Palm Beach, Frances Navarro of West Palm
Beach, Anita Navarro of Belle Glade, but Navarro of Belle Glade; bis
beloved companion Ermalinda and 19 grandchildren.
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A funeral mass will be held today. Thursday, June 1 at St. Philip Bepizi Catholic Church in Belle Glade at 10 am, with Father Louis Aineto offi-ciating. Internet will follow at Our Lady Queen of Peace Cemetery in Royal Palm Beach.

Murray recognized for 35 years in education

A retirement party was sheld for Reginald Murray, Assistant Principal in Administration on May 10th to recognize his 35 years in education all of which was spent in the Glades.

in the Glades.
Formierly from St. Augustine,
Reginald Murray was graduated
there from Excelsior High School.
He then obtained his B.S. in
Education from Florida Memorial.
College with majors in Social
Studies and Accounting, Studying
further, he received a MED in
Guidance from Florida Atlantic
University, and the florus of his
graduate work was Leadership
and Administration at Nova
University.

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Murray's many years in the field of clucation have been solely served in the Glades He started as a social studies teacher at Lake Shore Middle School in 1965. Before he left Lake Shore in 1970, he worked as a Guidance Counselor, From 1970-1985, he was a Guidance Counselor, Erom 1970-1985, he hecame Assistant Principal of Adult and Community Education. He served in this position until 1987 when he this position until 1987 when he as appointed Assistant Principal Adminis-tration. He has mained in that position until his

Mayor Clarence Anthony of outh Bay recently participated in a 26th annual convention of the

Conference of Inc. (NCBM) he

Mayors, Inc. (NCBM) held in Dallas with more than 200 of the nation's nearly 500 African American mayors in attendance. The four-day conference, hosted by Dallas Mayor Ron Kirk, brought together members of a political force that, collectively, represents more than 25 million constituents. Attendance topped out at approximately 2,500 conventioneers, induction were than 50 women.

mayors.

In his conference address to con-

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The party to celebrate his career was held in the reception area of the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center. Over 75 guests enjoyed the ambiance of the dining tables which featured floating candle centrelies to accentuate the black, white and gold color scheme. Murray's wife, Patricia who is a teacher at Wellington High School, prepared photo albums for each table which featured pictures of both Murray's leadership in education as well as his involvement with his family.

Zarak Lawson, choral teacher, began the program with preduce hussion of the Reyboard. This was followed by Sarah Bennett, Drama teacher, who presented the occasion and remarks by Dr. Effic C. Grear, Principal. Motro Konchellah, senior at Glades Central, the sung "Home," to recognize that Murray's home away from home is Glades Central.

After Joy Millner, English teacher, delivered the prayer, a delicious buffer prepared by the Palm Beach Community college catering service was served.

After dinner, Willie Lawrence sang: "Do God Be The Glory," His

ang "To God Be The Glory." His selection was followed by a trumpet solo by Willie Pyfrom, Glades Central's Band Director. Moiro Konchellah then read a poem titled

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summarized the convention
theme, "Leadership for a New
Century," to which he called on the
collective political power of member mayors and other elected officals. "Our popel have entrusted,
in us the hopes and dreams for a
good quality of life and for the
future of their children. To the best
of our abilities, we will attempt to
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Vice President Al Gore attended the convention and delivered a major policy address on the educational system and commitments needed to insure quality programs and teachers for public school education 118 Dimartment of Energy

Reginald Murray and his wife Patricia "Actions For Mr Murray," written by Mrs. Sonja Lutz's Advanced by Area Class. Since one of Kevin.Keith,Marci.Regi Placement Class. Since one of fourray's interests is vecabulary, this poem featured thoughts about him featuring words that ended in "attain." Following Konchellah, Sarah Bennett and Sonja Lutz read an original poem titled, "When I Retire from Glades Central."

Presentations were then made by Karen Schmaltz and Debbie Williams who serve under Murray as mento's in the Beginning

Williams who serve under Murray as mentors in the Beginning Teacher Pro-gram. Since Murray's hobby is fishing. Dr. Grear then gave him a bass plaque that sings as well as a plaque dedicated to his years as an educator. The highlight of the program centered around remarks from



Murray's family. Each of his boys and one girl Kevin,Keith,Marci,Reginald,Erik Tommy and Regina spoke both humorously and sentimentally to honor their father. Their speeches were followed by a tribute from Murray's wife Patricia. The evening concluded with remarks from the honoree about his good years at, Glades Central

Glades Central.

The party was arranged by Debbie William's, ESOL Coordinator. Robert Bennett. Sarah Bennett, Alyssa Fusco. Kenny Lutz, Sonja Lutz, Deborah Hiett, Karen Schultz, Marx Schultz, Susan Machock, Cartheda Mann, Leigh Woodham, Dr. Helen Frank, and The Bank Of Belle Glade also assisted in various

Anthony meets with National Conference of Black Mayors

Hall Meeting and in a "Round Table" discussion where he responded to questions special needs of their citi



South Bay Mayor Clarence Anthony, right, is it ing the National Conference of Black Mayors I Dallas. s interviewed dur rs held recently in



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We may be smaller than other communities, but we have the biggest heart and greatest sense of community," said Marylou Powers, Palm Beach County Public/Private Partnership Coordinator and Chair for the event. Marylou spent months inviting everyone to our "great big community sleep over" and that's just what it was. Organizations, churches,











scout froops, businesses, banks, schools, health departments, hospitals and individuals put together teams with city themes and relayed the track from 6 p.m. on Friday to 9 am. on Saturday.

The Relay began with "Survivors Lap," men and women who have looked cancer in the eye and refused to blink! Following the survivors was the Parade of Teams. As one member from each team remained on the track, other members offered food, hair braiding, raffles and trinkets of all kinds for sale to raise funds for ACS. All were entertained by local talent, games and game shows throughout the night.

night.

Maureen said. "Relay is contagious...once you experience it, all you want to do is share your enthusiasm with others, especially other cancer survivors." When Marylou asked on Saturday morning if we would Relay again next year her question was met with a resounding "Yes!" Pledge money is still coming in and we expect to reach our goal of \$35,000.













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